GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Quality Education in Schools
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that adequate number of schools capable of providing quality education are not available in rural, semi-urban and urban areas and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to open more schools in the country to provide quality education and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to start Kindergarten class i.e. KG- I & KG-II also in Kendriya Vidyalayas and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) : As per Unified District Information System for Education (UDISE), 2014-15, Gross Enrolment Ratios (GER) at primary and upper primary levels are 108 and 91.24 respectively. There are 10,02,476 government schools in rural areas and 78,281 government schools in urban areas at elementary level for providing free and compulsory quality education.

(b): SSA aims to universalize access to elementary education by providing financial support for the creation of school infrastructure as per the norms and standards specified in the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009. The States and UTs submit their proposals through Annual Work Plan & Budget (AWP&B) under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) every year. Till date, 2,04,732 primary schools and 1,59,392 upper primary schools have been sanctioned to States/UTs under SSA since its inception in 2001.

(c) & (d): As per the Admission Guidelines of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, in Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs), children are admitted in class-I. However, pre-primary classes are also functioning in 20 KVs across the country as on 10.08.2015.

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